

the claims by correcting misspellings or eliminating confusing terms. Accordingly, no new matter for which a new search is required has been added.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

On page 2, line 6, please delete "07/960,543" and insert therefor --07/960,513--.

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 127, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

2. (Twice amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said cell is contacted with said gene in combination with X-ray radiation, UV-irradiation, γ -irradiation, microwaves, adriamycin, 5-fluorouracil, etoposide, camptothecin, actinomycin-D, mitomycin C [mytomycin C], or cisplatin.

5. (Twice amended) The method of claim 4, wherein said p53-expressing recombinant[, non-viral] vector is a naked DNA plasmid or a plasmid within a liposome, a retroviral vector, an AAV vector, or a recombinant adenoviral vector.